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EVER MEET A LOCUST?
THEY'RE KINDA FUN, REALLY, IF THEY'RE NOT TRYING TO BURN YOUR CITY TO THE GROUND.
SEE, THEY'RE HOLLYWOOD HANGERS-ON, HUNGRY FOR THE BIG GLAM-GOLD-AND-GOODIE THING WITHOUT HAVING ANYTHING TO SELL IN EXCHANGE. NOT EVEN SOULS.
MOST OF THE TIME THEY JUST DRESS UP, SIT AROUND AND STEW IN THEIR OWN ENVY. BUT EVER SINCE THE CYBERSHAMAN MELTED THE ELECTRONIC CRAZY-GLUE THAT HOLDS THIS TOWN TOGETHER, THEY HAVE BEEN SWARMING THE STREETS LIKE...WELL...
...LIKE LOCUSTS.
SEEMS LIKE ALL I'VE DONE THIS WEEK IS PUT OUT BRUSHFIRES LIKE THIS ONE.
A BIGGER, BETTER, UGLIER HULK

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CHINESE THEATRE
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Here there be lawyers
BUT MAYBE I BETTER SHOW YOU HOW THIS PLACE IS PUT TOGETHER...
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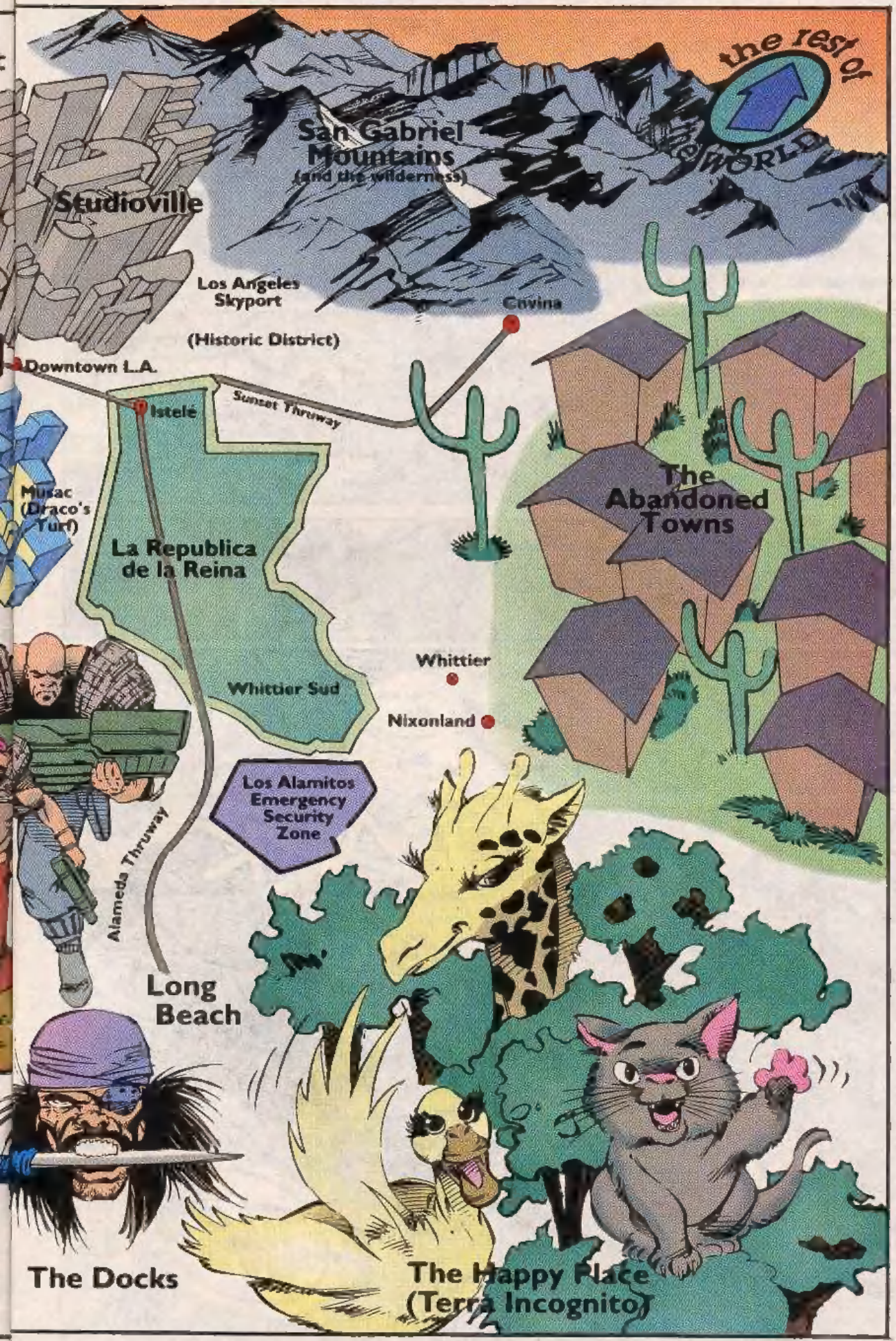
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The Happy Place (Terra Incognito)

SEE?
EVERY TIME YOU JUMP OVER A BUILDING YOU RUN INTO ANOTHER ARMED BAND.
SOME WANT TO TAKE OVER, SOME WANT INDEPENDENCE.
SOME JUST WANT TO SET A FEW FIRES AND HAVE SOME CHUCKLES.
JAMS
PIIIG!!
BIG-MONEY RICH
CORP-CORP-CORP! HONK AWAY, HOG!
YOU'RE...
...CALLING ME...
RAKK
...THAT?!

YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!
THIS KINDA STUPIDITY PLAYS RIGHT INTO THEIR FAT, SWEATY CORPORATE HANDS!
...LIKE LOTUS-LAND.
STUPID TO ARGUE WITH A LOCUST, I KNOW. BUT I KEEP THINKING ABOUT WHAT THEY'RE ENDANGERING...
YAM
IT'S EXTRAORDINARY... THE POWERS THOSE MAD DREAMERS UNLEASHED ARE GREATER THAN ANYTHING AN AUTHORIZED LAB WOULD DARE PLAY WITH!
I PROBABLY SHOULDN'T BE MESSING WITH ALL THIS UNTIL I KNOW MORE ABOUT IT... BUT I DIDN'T GET TO BE LOTUSLAND'S CHIEF RESEARCH TECH BY BEING CAUTIOUS!
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN DRIVEN BY CURIOSITY -- A NEED TO KNOW --
-- AND HOW ELSE COULD I HAVE COME UP WITH THE VIRTUAL REALITY PROJECTION TECH THAT ENABLED ZAMORA TO BECOME THE TOP-PAID "ARTIST" IN THE BUSINESS.
NOT THAT MY SALARY'S EVER KEPT UP WITH HIS... BUT WHEN I DISCOVER SOMETHING LIKE THIS, I KNOW THAT THE MONEY ISN'T WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!

THE KNIGHTS OF THE BANNER HARNESSED THE GAMMA-RADIATION THAT CREATED THE ORIGINAL HULK... THEN FOUND A WAY TO APPLY IT TO THE PSYCHE...
...A PROJECT SO POWERFUL THEY FORBADE EVEN THEMSELVES FROM DEVELOPING IT...
BUT MY HANDS... THEY'RE STIFFENING UP... MY GLOVES GLOWING LIKE THEY'RE COMPLETELY IRRADIATED!
I'D BETTER REPORT TO ZAMORA AND THE REST OF THEM!
OKAY, ANGEL... I'VE GOT YOU. WEIGHT ON ONE LEG... BALANCE YOURSELF... AND LET'S JUST START...
...WAAA!!
YOW! I'M SORRY QUIRK!
HOW CUTE.

HAHAHAHAHA
Oh, LIGHTEN UP, KEISHA! I CAN'T PLAY THE OBSESSED LEADER OF THE REVOLUTION EVERY MINUTE!
I'LL -giggle- I'LL GET YOUR -snort- CHAIR, ANGEL!
SHE'S A CUTE LITTLE THING, ANGEL. AND I'VE NO DOUBT SHE CAN LEARN TO CHANNEL HER TROUBLE-MAKING URGES TOWARD THE COMMON GOOD.
JUST AS YOU CAN SURELY CHANNEL YOUR ARTISTIC SOUL INTO LEADERSHIP.
I KNEW THAT OUR MR. ZAMORA HAD ENGAGED YOU AS A CREATIVE ASSOCIATE. QUIRK.
WITH YOUR RESUMÉ IN COURAGEOUS, SUBVERSIVE MUSIC, YOU FIT RIGHT IN WITH THIS LITTLE ENTERTAINMENT-FOR-FREEDOM EXPERIMENT WE'RE RUNNING HERE.
BUT I DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAD SKILLS AS A PHYSICAL THERAPIST, TOO!
BUT I DON'T THINK EITHER OF YOU IS GOING TO TEACH THOSE SKILLS TO EACH OTHER!
AND WHAT'LL YOU TEACH US, KEISHA? HOW TO BE A SOULLESS CORP-HACK?!
I NEED YOU BECAUSE YOU KNOW HOW TO RUN THIS COMPANY, BUT IF ANY OF US NEEDS CHANGE --
ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT, YOU'RE OUR LEADER.
I JUST THOUGHT YOU MIGHT WANT TO KNOW THAT NIKOLAI APOLONIO SAYS HE'S DISCOVERED SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT IN THE LAB. IF YOU DON'T MIND INTERRUPTING YOUR THERAPY...
OF COURSE NOT! CALL A MEETING NOW!
ALL OF MY PLANS FOR TAKING OVER THIS COMPANY INVOLVE WORKING MY WAY INTO ZAMORA'S CONFIDENCE... BUT WITH THAT UNDERRIPE LITTLE...
WELL, I HAVE MY OPTIONS.
SHE'S STILL ON SOME CORPORATE CHILL-LISTS. AND THE HULK DOESN'T EXACTLY SEEM HAPPY ABOUT THE WAY SHE LOOKS AT ZAMORA...

YEAH, LOTUS-LAND.
TIME I GOT BACK TO IT.
I THINK I CAN FIGURE ON THE LOCUSTS TO GO BACK TO THEIR STAR-WATCHING AND MEMORABILIA-HOARDING AND DROP THE LASER-CANNONS FOR A WHILE.

HE'S GONE.
AND HE DIDN'T SEE ME.
BUT AM I *GLAD*? OR... DO I *WANT* HIM TO KNOW?

MARIAN!
OH!
Y-YES, MY LORD?

I SAW HOW YOU WERE *LOOKING* AT THE *HULK*. IS THERE SOMETHING... I SHOULD *KNOW* ABOUT?
N-NOT AT ALL, MY LORD! I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE HE WAS GONE, AND NO MORE THREAT TO YOU!

I AM TOUCHED BY YOUR CONCERN... BUT YOU NEEDN'T TROUBLE YOUR PRETTY HEAD OVER ADONAI, LORD OF LOCUSTS!
OUR TIME TO SWARM WILL COME SOON ENOUGH, AND THEN EVEN THE HULK WILL HAVE A THING OR TWO TO WORRY ABOUT.
FINALLY -- A CHANCE TO GET BACK TO WHAT MATTERS TO ME! AND AS MUCH AS I HATE WHAT COMES NEXT, I'LL DO IT --
-- BECAUSE I'LL BE MORE USEFUL HERE AS A MEMBER OF THE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL THAN AS A BIG GUY WITH A SPIKED TONGUE!
SOMETIMES I WONDER WHY I EVEN BECOME THE HULK! WHAT CAN'T I HANDLE AS JOHN EISENHART?
FUNNY, THOUGH... I NEVER SEEM TO HAVE THOSE THOUGHTS WHEN I'M IN HIS BODY!

...APART FROM THE PURELY TECHNICAL ASPECTS, THE [redacted] DISCOVERY OF THE [redacted] CULT WAS THE SUBTLE, PSYCHOLOGICAL DIMENSION OF GAMMA-POWER.
RIGHT, DOC. NERDY SCIENTIST BELTED BY GAMMA RAYS, GETS [redacted] GREEN, RIPS HIS PANTS... [redacted] SUBTLE.
HEAR [redacted] OUT, MISS... QUIRK. [redacted] HULK... THE ABOMINATION... THE [redacted]...DOC SAMSON...SHE-HULK...GAMMA BURN...
...ALL BECAME EXAGGERATED PHYSICAL EMBODIMENTS OF THEIR OWN [redacted] THE HATEFUL AND SELF-LOATHING BECOMES A ROTTING HORROR...
...THE GENIUS BECOMES A SUPER-BRAIN... THE ACTUALIZED [redacted] MAN BECOMES A HERO...YOU SEE?
I'VE DISCOVERED [redacted] TO ISOLATE THE PSYCHOLOGICAL FUNCTION OF GAMMA-RAYS TO [redacted] PERSONALITY! EVEN TO SHAPE EMOTIONS... THOUGHTS!
NOW, IT MUST ONLY EXAGGERATE WHAT'S ALREADY THERE...
...BUT THE KNIGHTS BELIEVED THAT WITH WORK IT MIGHT [redacted] TO CONTROL THE CHANGES. BRING SOME TRAITS UP AND SUPPRESS OTHERS...

...IN EFFECT, SCULPTING EMOTIONS! SHAPING THOUGHTS AT WILL!
I HATE IT ALREADY!
BUT THINK! IF I CAN DEVELOP [redacted] PROJECTION [redacted] FOR THIS POWER AS I DID FOR VIRTUAL REALITY...WE NEEDN'T JUST CRAFT ENTERTAINMENT TO GET OUR MESSAGE OF INDIVIDUALISM ACROSS!
[redacted] CAN [redacted]ADCAST THE CRAVING FOR FREEDOM DIRECTLY INTO PEOPLE'S MINDS!
IT WOULD BE AN INVENTION OF LIMITLESS POWER... TERRIFYING BUT MAGNIFICENT POWER!
YOU'RE RIGHT, DOCTOR!! AND I'M GOING TO HAVE IT!

OF [redacted] TO BE [redacted] HULK! [redacted] WAS THE MOMENT THAT TRANSFORMED ME [redacted] TO SOMEBODY WORTH KEEPING ALIVE!
BUT DO I STILL [redacted] HIM NOW? I'M SMARTER THAN HIM I CAN PLAY THE GAME.. AND PLAYING THE GAME IS HOW YOU GET THINGS DONE! HE'S
WAIT A MINUTE. WHY AM I THINKING ABOUT "HIM" AND "ME"? WE'RE
GET OUT OF MY WAY!!
KEISHA --?!
GLURK! ZAMORA! WHAT HAPPENED HERE?!
YOU WILL NOT BELIEVE IT! OR MAYBE YOU WILL!
MS. BLEACH-JOB ACTED LIKE SHE WAS GOING TO SNATCH DR. APOLONIO'S NEW GADGET AND RULE THE WORLD WITH IT!
THEN SHE CAUGHT HERSELF. LIKE SHE WAS COMING OUT OF A SPELL... AND RAN!
TAKE THIS AS A SIGN -- KEISHA'S A PLOTTER! I'VE TOLD YOU WE CAN'T AFFORD TO HAVE HER ON THIS [redacted]!
JOHN, YOU KNOW OUR COMMITMENT TO DEMOCRACY AND FAIRNESS
WE CAN'T. WE CAN'T MAKE THAT KIND OF JUDGMENT AGAINST [redacted]. CAN'T HOLD [redacted] PAST [redacted] THEM. CAN'T CAN'T
CAN'T MESS UP THE STRUCTURE OF LOTUS-LAND! IT'S ARTISTICALLY PERFECT! THE MIX OF PERSONALITIES! THE BALANCE OF HUES AND INTENSITIES
IT'S A MOSAIC! DON'T MESS WITH MY BEAUTIFUL

ZAMORA! ZAMORA!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU, MAN?
Uhh...? WHAT...? JOHN, I..
...I NEED TO BE ALONE!
ALONE TO CONCEIVE THE FUTURE OF LOTUS-LAND!
QUIRK, WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO ..
I DON'T KNOW! I DON'T CARE! I'M TIRED OF STANDING AROUND TALKING!
I'M ITCHING TO DO SOME-THING!
QUIRK?
IS EVERYBODY GOING NUTS AROUND HERE?
DR. APOLONIO, WHAT KIND OF "GADGET" WERE YOU...
DOCTOR?
SOMETHING INTERESTING IS HAPPENING HERE. AND I WILL KNOW WHAT IT IS.
I MUST KNOW!

A FEW HOURS GO BY. THE SUN STARTS CUTTING ITS LIGHT AND L.A. ANSWERS BACK TURNING ON ITS OWN.
NOBODY WANTS TO TALK TO ANYBODY ELSE, SO I LET THE WEIRDNESS [illegible] JUST KEEP MY EYES AND EARS OPEN.
I'M SUPPOSED TO WAIT WHILE APOLONIO PLAYS WITH HIS GAMMA-RAYS AND BUILDS HIS BIG TINKERTOY TO MIND BLAST THE L.A. BASIN?
UH-UH. NOT QUIRK. QUIRK'S NOT THE WAITING TYPE. LET 'EM TELL ME IT'LL MESS UP ALL THEIR PLANS! I'M A REBEL!
WHAT?!
COMMUNICATIONS SIGNALS FROM QUIRK'S OFFICE. THE WRONG MESSAGES COULD CONTAMINATE OUR PUBLIC PROFILE. COST US SUPPORT!
SHE'S DOING THIS TO BRING THE COUNCIL DOWN! TO BRING ME DOWN! TO KEEP ME OUT OF POWER!
WELL, I KNOW HOW TO PROTECT WHAT'S MINE!
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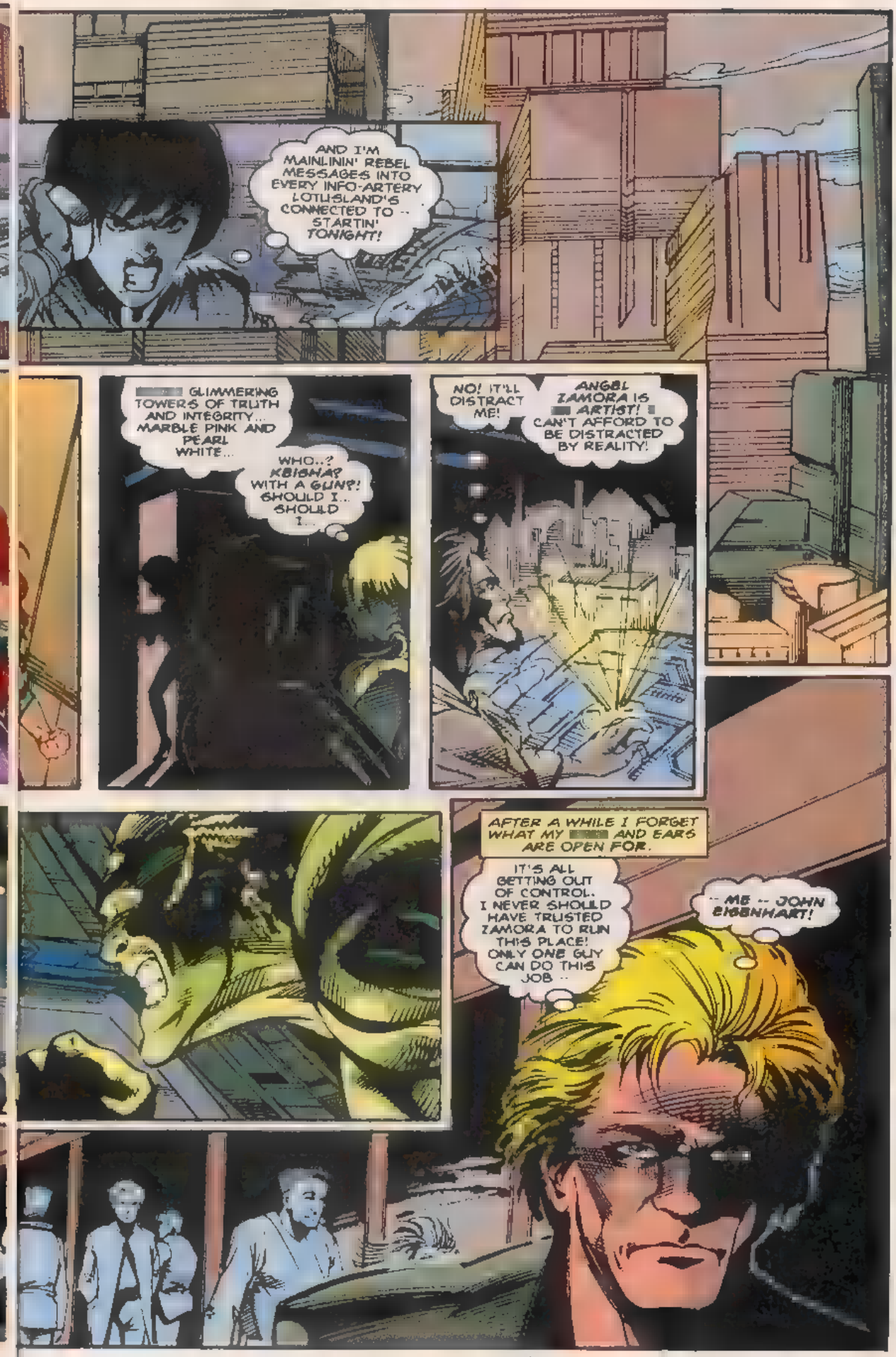
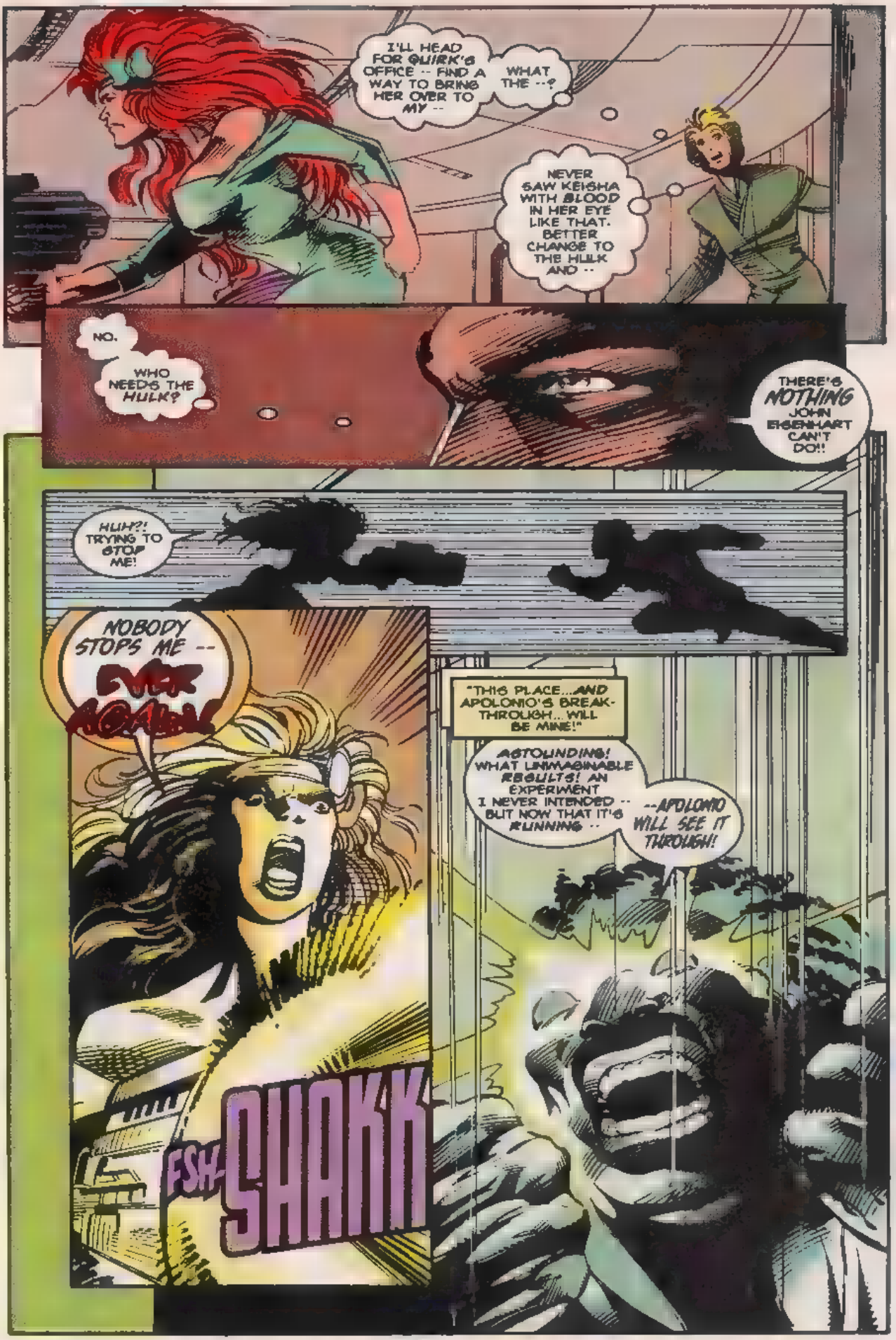
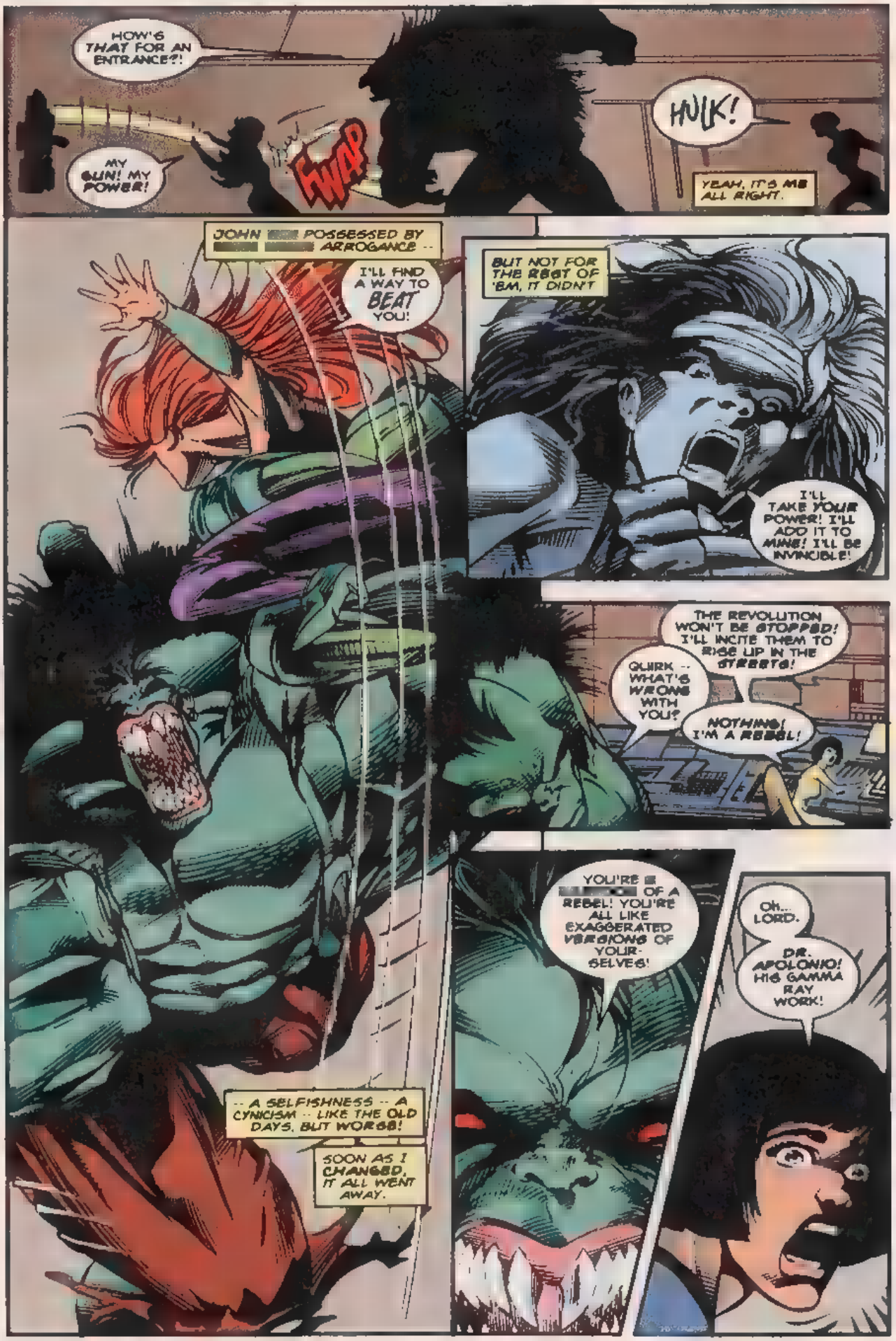
WHAT POWER YOU HAVE, APOLONIO!
YES... YES...
MARCH ON. SHOW ME WHAT HAPPENS. I MUST KNOW!


AND I'M MAINLININ' REBEL MESSAGES INTO EVERY INFO-ARTERY LOTUSLAND'S CONNECTED TO -- STARTIN' TONIGHT!
[redacted] GLIMMERING TOWERS OF TRUTH AND INTEGRITY... MARBLE PINK AND PEARL WHITE...
WHO..? KRISHNA? WITH A GUN?! SHOULD I... SHOULD I...
NO! IT'LL DISTRACT ME!
ANGEL ZAMORA IS [redacted] ARTIST! I CAN'T AFFORD TO BE DISTRACTED BY REALITY!
AFTER A WHILE I FORGET WHAT MY [redacted] AND EARS ARE OPEN FOR.
IT'S ALL GETTING OUT OF CONTROL. I NEVER SHOULD HAVE TRUSTED ZAMORA TO RUN THIS PLACE! ONLY ONE GUY CAN DO THIS JOB --
-- ME -- JOHN EISENHART!


I'LL HEAD FOR QUIRK'S OFFICE -- FIND A WAY TO BRING HER OVER TO MY --
WHAT THE --?
NEVER SAW KEISHA WITH BLOOD IN HER EYE LIKE THAT. BETTER CHANGE TO THE HULK AND --
NO.
WHO NEEDS THE HULK?
THERE'S NOTHING JOHN EISENHART CAN'T DO!!
HUH?! TRYING TO STOP ME!
NOBODY STOPS ME -- EVER AGAIN!
"THIS PLACE...AND APOLONIO'S BREAK-THROUGH.. WILL BE MINE!"
ASTOUNDING! WHAT UNIMAGINABLE RESULTS! AN EXPERIMENT I NEVER INTENDED -- BUT NOW THAT IT'S RUNNING --
--APOLONIO WILL SEE IT THROUGH!
FSH-SHAKK

KEISHA'S GOT TROUBLES... AND SHE'S MAKIN' THEM MINE.
AAARRHH--
THE... PAIN...
...MAKING ME...
...CHANGE!
ALL RIGHT, MY LITTLE SUBVERSIVE! YOUR UPRISING ENDS RIGHT NOW -- IN A PUDDLE OF --
GRAAARR!
FSH-SHAKK


HOW'S THAT FOR AN ENTRANCE?!
MY GUN! MY POWER!
SWAP
HULK!
YEAH, IT'S ME ALL RIGHT.
JOHN [redacted] POSSESSED BY [redacted] ARROGANCE --
I'LL FIND A WAY TO BEAT YOU!
BUT NOT FOR THE REST OF 'EM, IT DIDN'T
I'LL TAKE YOUR POWER! I'LL ADD IT TO MINE! I'LL BE INVINCIBLE!
THE REVOLUTION WON'T BE STOPPED! I'LL INCITE THEM TO RISE UP IN THE STREETS!
QUIRK -- WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
NOTHING! I'M A REBEL!
-- A SELFISHNESS -- A CYNICISM -- LIKE THE OLD DAYS, BUT WORSE!
SOON AS I CHANGED, IT ALL WENT AWAY.
YOU'RE A [redacted] OF A REBEL! YOU'RE ALL LIKE EXAGGERATED VERSIONS OF YOURSELVES!
OH... LORD.
DR. APOLONIO! HIS GAMMA RAY WORK!

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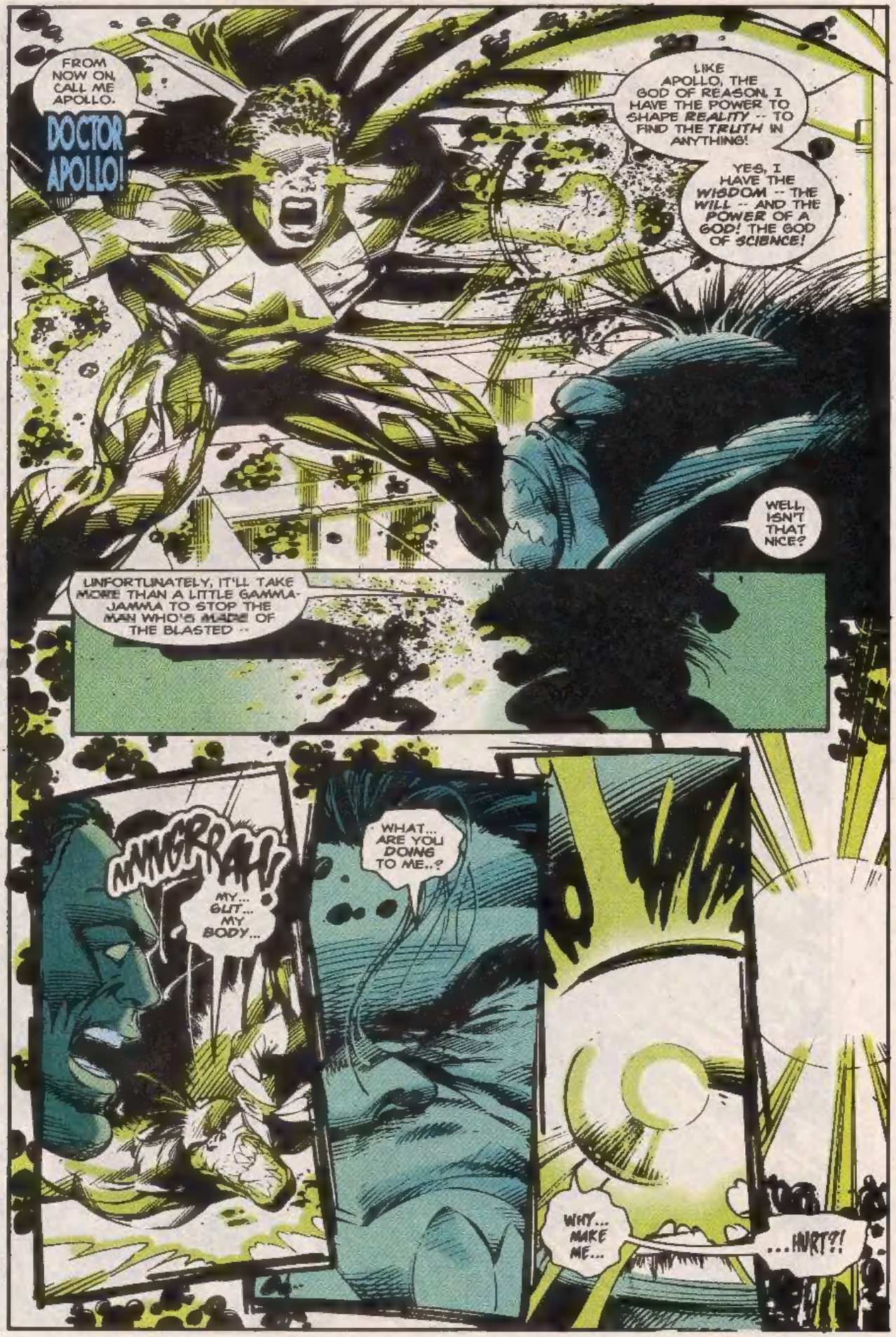
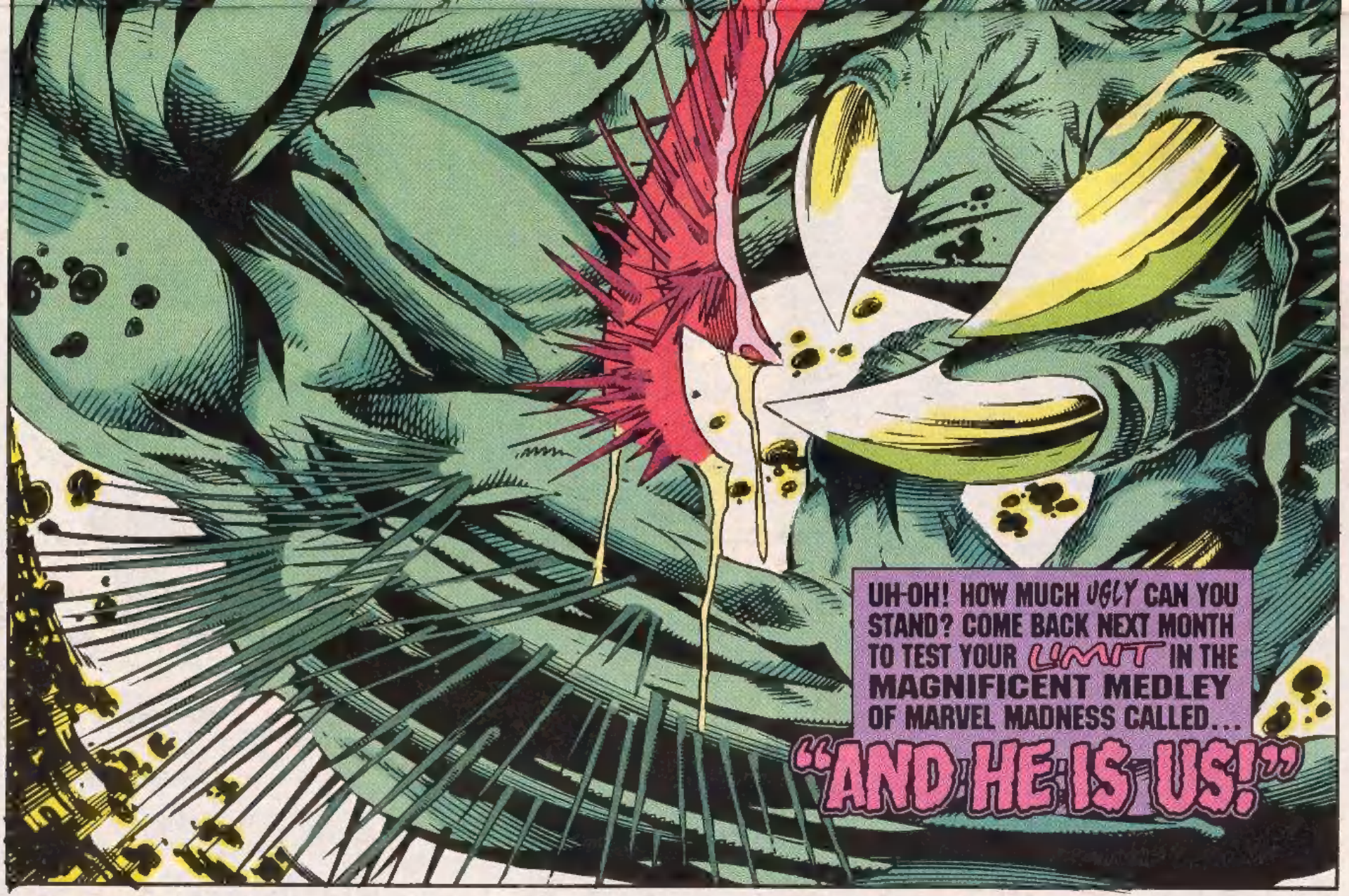
STILL ON SALE

SHE'S GOT ENOUGH OF HER HEAD LEFT TO EXPLAIN IT TO ME.
I HEAD FOR THE LAB. FIGURE I CAN TELL HIM HE'S CONTAMINATED BY THE GAMMA-POWER, GET HIM TO AGREE TO A CLEAN UP.
APOLONIO!
ZZZ
KOOM
GYaAAH!
SOME-TIMES YOU JUST FIGURE WRONG.


FROM NOW ON, CALL ME APOLLO.
DOCTOR APOLLO!
LIKE APOLLO, THE GOD OF REASON, I HAVE THE POWER TO SHAPE REALITY -- TO FIND THE TRUTH IN ANYTHING!
YES, I HAVE THE WISDOM -- THE WILL -- AND THE POWER OF A GOD! THE GOD OF SCIENCE!
WELL, ISN'T THAT NICE?
UNFORTUNATELY, IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN A LITTLE GAMMA-JAMMA TO STOP THE MAN WHO'S MADE OF THE BLASTED --
MNNGRRAH!
MY... GUT... MY BODY...
WHAT... ARE YOU DOING TO ME..?
WHY... MAKE ME...
...HURT?!

YOU TRAP ME IN THIS PLACE... TRY TO HURT ME... MAKE ME WEAK... TURN ME INTO LITTLE PINK MINT
NOBODY TRAP ME NOW! NOW I CRUSH YOU ALL!!


UH-OH! HOW MUCH UGLY CAN YOU STAND? COME BACK NEXT MONTH TO TEST YOUR LIMIT IN THE MAGNIFICENT MEDLEY OF MARVEL MADNESS CALLED...
"AND HE IS US!"

TONGUE LASHINGS

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Out Of My Head

I'm grateful now to those people who advertise on the tube saying they "make technology people want." Like their CD player that goes uninterrupted for eighteen hours. Thoughtful of them to build in six hours for sleep. When was the last time you had eighteen free hou–

Off With His Head

Enough is enough. It is this obsession with pop cultural trivia that is strangling the American character, auguring the downfall of the American Republic. The American Experiment is over. It is time to go back to the laboratory. A New Era has begun, one ruled by...myself, Doom the First. (Pause for rabid applause, heartfelt thanks of grateful nation) Yes, Doom has taken over USA of 2099. These events are chronicled in DOOM 2099 #29, but make themselves felt throughout the 2099 Universe. Find your place in my New World Order...NOW.

MARVEL INTERNAL CORRESPONDENCE
To: Joey Cavalieri
Subject: Spiritual Fulfillment

Dear Joey,

Re: Out of My Head column in Hulk 2099 #2

I prefer my sashimi carved in the shape of Funny Bones. And in your quest for perfection, never forget the sage, old saying: "Do not wish, for you may receive."

Fabian Nicieza
Somewhere Downstairs

You all know Mr. Nicieza: the prince of time management. Writes fifty books a month, and still has time to send us fan mail. Boy, what I'd accomplish if I knew the secret.

Dear Tongue Lashings,

I've read every Hulk 2099 story and was happy to see he was finally given his own series. I really like the look of the character. The person who designed him and his bestial look is a genius. Hulk 2099 makes the present day Hulk look wimpy in comparison. Will Hulk ever team up with the X-Men?

Shane K. Carvalho
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Look for 2099 A.D. #1 in March, Shane, all the 2099 heroes will be meeting in that special issue. Also, thanks to their close proximity in the 2099 Universe, we plan for the Hulk and the X-Men 2099 to meet in this book later this year.

Dear Hulk 2099,

The artwork in HULK 2099 is some of the best in the comic industry. I also love the coloring. Something in the way this book is colored gives it a darker and more eerie look. I wasn't sure if I'd like the character, but now that he's in his own book, I do like it. Gerard Jones' writing is superb.

I also really like Draco. He seems to be the kind of villain that can stick around, something the other 2099 villains seem to be having a hard time doing. How about Draco encountering Doom somewhere along the line? The Warriors of the Human Tribe looked pretty interesting. Maybe we could see a little of them.

Though I'm not a fan of the present day hero, maybe you could do an Iron Man 2099. I mean with Stark-Fujikawa and Iron Man 2020, it makes sense to have an Iron Man 2099. I'm also on a crusade for Man-Thing 2099. He'd make an interesting futuristic character.

Mark "Troll" Trollinger
Smyrna, GA 30082

The entire 2099 universe will encounter Doom soon, Mark. As for an Iron Man 2099, we've considered it. But in the meantime, there's Galahad 2099 in our UNLIMITED.

Dear Tongue Lashings,

Hulk 2099 #2 was really neat. Draco's an awesome foe! I loved it when Zamora started the crowd riot and freed the Hulk. And then when the Hulk got really mad and crushed Draco.

1. Have a foe to match Hulk's strength.
2. Have Gewain come back to life as an enemy.

Until Hulk flosses with his tongue, Make Mine Marvel.

Brandon James
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Glad you enjoyed the issue, Brandon! Wait till you see the foe we come up with for Green-skin next!

Dear Joey & Lia,

I've really enjoyed the first two issues of Hulk 2099. The story seems to have taken off and the character appears to be becoming a lot stronger since leaving the UNLIMITED.

Draco is an exciting villain, one of the few introduced, particularly against the Hulk, who has the potential to be a major foe.

I'd like to see more of John Eisenhart's character. I hope that Gerard Jones is going to delve deeper into him and more of his emotions.. I'd like to see him get past the death of Gewain and take it on to another level.

Malcolm Davis and Chris Ivy make a great team. The Hulk's never looked meaner. I'm looking forward to seeing how the Hulk is going to deal with Doom, since he's never come face to face with him. I'm guessing they won't be shaking hands when Doom finally shows up.

James Monroe
Rockford, IL

You guessed right, James, things are going to become even more chaotic for the big green guy once Doom makes his presence known to Lotusland.

Dear Tongue Lashings,

I know you guys have heard a million opinions about this but I thought I'd put my two cents in anyway.

Please, please keep the 2099 Universe separated from the rest of Marvel. I'm writing this now because a lot of your characters, with the new introduction of the Hulk, have present day counterparts and I know the temptation is going to be there to do team ups and battles. I really don't think it will strengthen the titles over all and may be just a cheap trick for some people who think they want to see it.

Besides, your characters are strong enough on their own and don't need to get mixed up with another time.

What I would love to see is more interaction between the characters. How 'bout Hulk vs. Spidey? It would be a classic battle with a future twist!

Kevin Hanniff
Pittsburgh, PA

Stick around, for 2099 A.D. #1 and see them meet, Kev!

NEXT ISSUE

The struggle for Lotusland continues! All of our capricious cast members are garrulously gamma-irradiated, but most of all Doctor Apollo and the Hulk! What'd happen if gamma radiation broke out in your home, school or workplace? It might go something like HULK 2099 #6!